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STATUS INQUIRY
and
PUBLICATION REQUEST

Dear Sir:

The applicant herein indicates that on April 21, 2004 the applicant forwarded to the United States Patent Office an amendment to correct line spacing of the application. The application claims the benefit of the earlier filed provisional application dated 11/05/2002. Eighteen months have now passed since the earlier date and the application should be published.

It appears that the applicant has, in all matters, complied with all the Patent Office requirements. Applicant now makes formal inquiry as to the status of this application and a response to this status inquiry is respectfully requested and furthermore that the patent application be published.

Respectfully submitted,

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